

**ABSTRACT**

Methods and systems for transmitting attachments to text messages without turning terminals into e-mail clients are described. When an attachment is to be transmitted, an address of an attachment server is appended to the text message. The

5 text message is then forwarded to the intended recipient, e.g., via an SMS server, while the attachment is sent to the attachment server. Upon receipt of the text message, the recipient can then download the attachment from the attachment server using the address included in the text message.